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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

The attached sheets of Drawings include changes to Figs. 8 and 9 designating them as --Prior Art--. These sheets, which include Figs. 8 and 9, replace the original sheets including Figs. 8 and 9.

Attachment: Two Replacement Sheets.

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 12-20 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, Applicants AMEND the drawings and claim 12 and CANCEL claims 1-11.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 12-20 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the features of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The drawings were objected to because Figures 8 and 9 should be designated by a legend such as --Prior Art-- because only that which is old is illustrated.

Applicants have amended Figures 8 and 9 to designate them as --Prior Art--. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the drawings.

Claim 12 was objected to because of a minor informality.

Applicants have amended claim 12 to change "a capacitor body" to --the capacitor body-- in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the claims.

Claims 1-10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as allegedly claiming the same invention as that of claims 1-10 of prior U.S. Patent No. 6,556,420.

Claims 1-10 have been canceled rendering the above rejection moot.

Claim 11 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Applicant's Admitted Prior Art.

Allowable claim 12 has been rewritten in independent form including substantially all of the features of base claim 11. Accordingly, claim 11 has been canceled.

Please note that the recitation "feedthrough conductors disposed within the capacitor body and arranged to perforate from the first major surface to the second major surface" originally recited in claim 11 has been omitted since claim 12 further recites "a plurality of first feedthrough conductors ..." and "a plurality of second feedthrough conductors" These recitations in claim 12 could be considered as redundant of the above recitation in claim 11. Accordingly, the recitation in claim 11 has been omitted in favor of the further recitations of the "plurality of first feedthrough

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conductors" and the "plurality of second feedthrough conductors" in claim 12.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 12 is allowable. Claims 13-20 depend upon claim 12, and are therefore allowable for at least the reasons that claim 12 is allowable.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are solicited.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-1353.

Respectfully submitted,

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